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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE

NATHAN ELLERT,

v.

CASE NO. C20-1088-JCC

Plaintiff, ORDER

CHRISTIAN RESETARITS and CHARITY FISHERIES, INC., in personam; F/V PATIENCE, OFFICIAL NUMBER 668232, HER ENGINES, MACHINERY, APPURTENANCES AND CARGO, in rem,

Defendants.

This matter comes before the Court on Plaintiff's response (Dkt. No. 10) to the Court's order to show cause (Dkt. No. 9). Under Federal Rule of Procedure Rule 4(m), "[i]f a defendant is not served within 90 days after the complaint is filed, the court—on motion or on its own after notice to the plaintiff—must dismiss the action without prejudice against that defendant or order that service be made within a specified time." After two extensions of the 90-day time period, Plaintiff's deadline to serve Defendants in this matter was February 22, 2021. (Dkt. Nos. 6, 8.) After that deadline passed and Plaintiff had not filed proof of service, the Court ordered Plaintiff to show cause why this action should not be dismissed without prejudice. (Dkt. No. 9.) Plaintiff filed a response indicating that he "cannot show cause as to why this case should not be dismissed without prejudice." (Dkt. No. 10 at 1.) Accordingly, the Court DISMISSES this action

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without prejudice for failure to timely serve Defendants. The Clerk is DIRECTED to close this case.

DATED this 15th day of March 2021.

John C. Coughenour

John C. Coughenour UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE